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Dean Matsuura Manager – Regulatory Affairs Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. P. O. Box 2750 Honolulu, Hawaii 96840-0001

Re: Docket No. 2008-0083 - Application of Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. for

Approval of Rate Increases and Revised Rate Schedules and Rules

Dear Ms. Matsuura:

Enclosed please find information requests ("IRs") prepared by the Commission's consultant, the National Regulatory Research Institute, for the above-referenced docket. Given the upcoming evidentiary hearing scheduled to commence on October 26, 2009, responses to the IRs shall be filed within two business days prior to the panel on which the IRs pertain.

Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Stacey Kawasaki Djou Commission Counsel

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Enclosure

c: Catherine P. Awakuni

Dr. Kay Davoodi

PUC-IR-184

Which departments are likely to be affected by the Decision and Order filed in Docket No. 2008-0273, the commission's feed-in tariff investigation? How will their costs and activities likely change as a result?

PUC-IR-185

According to HECO, on page 54 of its application for the PV Host Pilot Program in Docket No. 2009-0098:

A. Host site lease payments – For book accounting purposes, assuming the Host site lease agreement is determined to be an operating lease, the Companies will record and recognize the lease payments as lease rent expense as they are incurred. The Companies propose rate recovery of the revenue requirements resulting from the host site lease payments in each Company's next general rate case to the extent applicable.

Were any costs for site leases for the PV Host Program included in the revenue requirement in the proposed Settlement Agreement or the response to the Interim D&O in this rate case? If so, what costs were included?

PUC-IR-186

According to Pages 10 and 11 of the Lifeline Rate Program application filed in Docket No. 2009-0096:

The Companies will evaluate the incremental labor and non-labor costs to maintain and manage the Lifeline Rate Program above the costs included in base rates in the Companies' last approved test year rate cases one year after program implementation to determine if these incremental labor and non-labor costs should be recovered in the Lifeline Rate Adjustment recovery mechanism. If the Companies find that these incremental labor and non-labor costs to maintain and manage the Lifeline Rate Program need to be included in the Lifeline Rate Adjustment recovery mechanism, the Companies will file tariff changes with the Commission in accordance with HAR §6-61-111. The changes to the tariff will be effective 30 days after filing with the Commission, unless suspended by the Commission or at a later date as may be specified in the transmittal letter.

Were any administrative costs of the Lifeline Rate Program included in the revenue requirement in the proposed Settlement Agreement or the response to the Interim D&O in this rate case? If so, what costs were included?

PUC-IR-187

What was the total cost of IRP/CESP activities in the revenue requirement for both the proposed Settlement Agreement and in rates complying with the Interim D&O?

PUC-IR-188

What was the total cost to HECO of audits conducted by external parties from May 2008 through April 2009? Please provide documentation of these costs.

PUC-IR-189

Please provide copies of all reports from audits carried out for the HECO Companies by third parties from 2007 through the present.